



**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANT:** Gary J. Reed  
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**FILED:** November 7, 2001  
**FOR:** Orthopedic Stabilization  
Device and Method

**ART UNIT:** 3732

**EXAMINER:** Bonderer, D.

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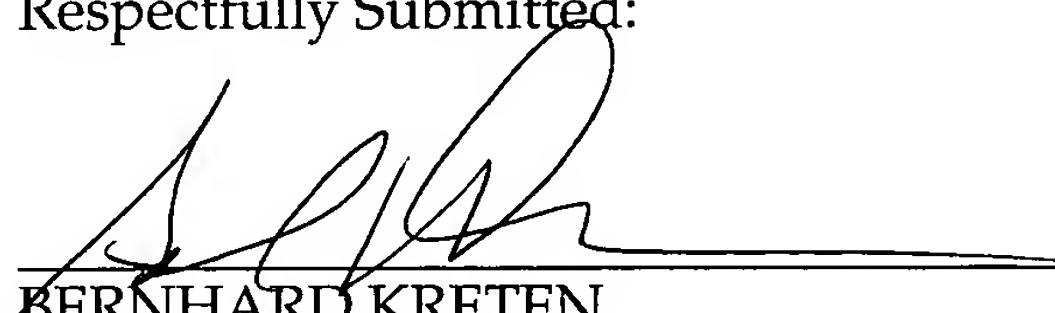
**EXTENSION OF TIME**

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